

Press Release

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San José Building Inspectors Strike Ends Statement from Mayor Chuck Reed

SAN JOSE – Note: The membership of the Association of Building Mechanical and Electrical Inspectors unanimously approved the City of San José's most recent contract offer this afternoon and will return to work on Wednesday, December 12 at 1 p.m.

Mayor Reed will be available for comment tonight outside the Council Chambers prior to tonight's 7 p.m. evening City Council meeting.

Statement from Mayor Chuck Reed:

I am pleased that the strike is over and that our building inspectors have accepted the City's offer. From our industrial areas to our neighborhoods, San José businesses and residents have critical construction projects that depend on the excellent work of our inspectors.

This new agreement provides an interim process that allows public arbitration of disciplinary appeals until litigation between ABMEI and the City is completed. This interim process protects public accountability, maintains public hearings, and preserves the public's right to know what happens in disciplinary appeals.

I'd like to thank both negotiating teams for their diligence in continuing to bargain over the past few weeks and reach agreement on these complex issues.